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S E C R E T VIENNA 1381

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FOR THE SECRETARY

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SUBJECT: WALDHEIM MESSAGE TO SECRETARY KISSINGER ON CYPRUS

TALKS

TEXT OF PERSONAL LETTER TO YOU FROM WALDHEIM ON LATEST ROUND
OF CYPRUS TALKS WHICH GIVEN EMBASSY EARLY EVENING FEB 21 FOR
ONWARD TRANSMITTAL, FOLLOW:

1. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR HENRY:

I THOUGHT I SHOULD LET YOU KNOW MY IMPRESSIONS OF THE FIFTH

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ROUND OF THE CYPRUS TALKS WHICH ENDED TODAY IN VIENNA. AS YOU

KNOW, I FINALLY CALLED FOR THE RESUMPTION OF TALKS ON THE BASIS OF AN UNDERSTANDING, WHICH BOTH THE PARTIES AGREED TO, THAT THE DISCUSSIONS WOULD AT LEAST BE SUBSTANTIVE ON ALL THREE POINTS OF THE BRUSSELS PROCES-VERBAL, EVEN IF THEY WERE NOT CONCLUSIVE.

2. AFTER CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTIES IN THE FIRST MEETINGS, IT PROVED POSSIBLE TO HAVE A SUBSTANTIVE GENERAL DISCUSSION ON BOTH TERRITORIAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS. THIS DEVELOPED FROM MY PROPOSAL THAT WE SHOULD START THE DISCUSSION ON THE BASIS OF SOME SUGGESTIONS WHICH HAD BEEN MADE BY MR. CLERIDES AT THE FIRST ROUND OF TALKS IN APRIL AND MAY LAST YEAR. AFTER A GENERAL DISCUSSION, THE TWO INTERLOCUTORS FINALLY AGREED TO THE FUTURE COURSE OF ACTION SET OUT IN THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE, OF WHICH I ATTACH A COPY.

3. AS YOU WILL SEE, THEY HAVE AGREED TO EXCHANGE WRITTEN PROPOSALS

WITHIN THE TIME LIMIT OF SIX WEEKS, THROUGH MY SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE IN CYPRUS, AS THE BASIS FOR A FURTHER MEETING IN VIENNA IN MAY, WHICH IN TURN SHOULD PAVE THE WAY FOR REFERRING THE BASIC QUESTIONS TO MIXED COMMITTEES IN CYPRUS.

4. IT WOULD OF COURSE HAVE BEEN DESIRABLE TO HAVE REACHED A FRAMEWORK OF AGREEMENT ALREADY AT THIS ROUND, BUT IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES

I DO NOT THINK THAT THIS WAS EVER LIKELY TO PROVE POSSIBLE. THE ARRANGEMENT WHICH HAS NOW BEEN AGREED ON PRESENTS THE BEST ALTERNATIVE

WE COULD ACHIEVE, GIVEN THE POSITIONS OF ALL THE PARTIES CONCERNED. I VERY MUCH HOPE THAT BOTH SIDES WILL FIND IT POSSIBLE TO PROCEED AS THEY HAVE AGREED TO DO, SO THAT THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS CAN CONTINUE IN A MEANINGFUL WAY. ONE PROMISING DEVELOPMENT IS THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME SOME TERRITORIAL PROPOSALS WILL BE PUT FORWARD AS A BASIS FOR NEGOTIATIONS. ALTHOUGH I DO NOT UNDERESTIMATE THE DIFFICULTIES AHEAD, I MUST SAY THAT THE ATMOSPHERE OF THIS ROUND OF TALKS WAS FRIENDLY AND CONSTRUCTIVE. I HAVE THE FEELING THAT THE INTERLOCUTORS WILL DO THEIR BEST TO LIVE UP TO THEIR UNDER-
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TAKINGS. HOW FAR THEY WILL BE ABLE TO DO THIS IS OF COURSE BY NO MEANS CERTAIN.

5. I SHALL KEEP YOU FULLY INFORMED OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS. WITH WARM PERSONAL REGARDS, YOURS SINCERELY, KURT WALDHEIM
END TEXT.

6. TEXT OF FINAL COMMUNIQUE, COPY OF WHICH CITED PER PARA 2 ABOVE AS BEING ATTACHED TO WALDHEIM LETTER, ALREADY FORWARDED TO

DEPARTMENT IN VIENNA 1379.

7. WALDHEIM-KISSINGER LETTER WILL BE POUCHED DEPARTMENT FEB 23.

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